

JOSIAH HOBBS—WIDOW OF.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 781.]

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Mr. VERREE, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Molly W. Hobbs, widow of Josiah Hobbs, praying for a pension for the services of her husband in the revolutionary war, report:*

That the petitioner is now ninety-seven years old; was married to Josiah Hobbs in the year 1785, who died April 23, 1849. Said Josiah Hobbs applied for a pension, under the act of June 7, 1832, for eight months' service, viz: four months from July, 1775, to November, 1775, and four months in 1780. The claim was rejected at the Pension office because only the latter service of four months was proved by record evidence, and parol proof, after a lapse of sixty years, could not be obtained to substantiate the first tour of four months in 1775, there being no record proof, or very little, at that early date, of the company in which he served, that of Captain Nathaniel Hobbs, company of New Hampshire troops.

Your committee feel themselves justified, from the weight of testimony, to recommend a pension for six months' service, and report a bill accordingly, with the recommendation that it do pass.

JOSEPH HOBBS-WIDOW OF

(To accompany bill H. R. 24, 1851)

WILLIAM H. HOBBS - Deceased

Mr. Vinton from the Committee on Revolutionary Claims, made  
the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to which was referred the  
petition of Mrs. Wm. Hobbs widow of Joseph Hobbs deceased for a  
pension for the services of her husband in the Revolutionary war,  
report:

That the petitioner is now nearly seven years old; was married to  
Joseph Hobbs in the year 1780, who died April 23, 1810, aged  
thirty-eight years; for a pension under the act of June 7, 1832,  
for eight months ending the four months from July, 1775, to 1780,  
and four months in 1780. The claim was rejected at  
the Pension office because only the later service of her husband was  
proved by record evidence, and good proof, after a lapse of sixty  
years, could not be obtained to substantiate the first four or five  
months in 1775 there being no record made, or any title, at that  
early date, of the company in which he served, that of Captain  
Nathaniel Smith, company of New Hampshire troops.  
Your committee had themselves feeling, from the want of such  
proof, to recommend a pension for six months' service, and report a  
bill accordingly, with the recommendation that it do pass.